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1. A military aircraft crashed on the flanks of Mount Nepistkaro (height 2828 meters), in the Adzhara Mountain chain, on 16 Dec 53. The plane came from the airfield at Tonki which is near Djvary [sig] in Mingrelia. It was on its way to the airfield at Aman-ly [sig], the four men in the crew were burned to a crisp.
2. The plane was of the Toupolev type, with a length of 14.32 meters and a spread of 18.30 meters. However, certain changes had been made in the mechanism of this particular plane, which had given good results in trial flights. This plane had reached a speed of 620 kilometers an hour.
3. Guards received orders not to approach the plane themselves, until specialists arrived. Meantime, persons in charge of the hangar at Djvary, from which the plane came, were arrested.

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